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U. S. Sends Ultimatum to Germany Demanding Atonement for Loss of American Lives on Lusitania

AND A GUARANTEE AGAINST ANOTHER SHIP TRAGEDY AND ELIMINATION OF PIRACY ON HIGH SEAS

IN THIS HOUR OF NATIONAL CRISIS, ALL AMERICANS ARE WITH THE PRESIDENT.

THE MESSAGE CONTAINS ABOUT 1800 WORDS. WHILE NO INDICATION IS GIVEN OF THE MOMENTOUS STEPS TO BE TAKEN BY THE U. S. IN THE EVENT OF AN UNFAVORABLE REPLY, THE NOTE INFORMS THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT WILL LEAVE NOTHING UNDONE, EITHER IN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS OR OTHER ACTION, TO OBTAIN A COMPLIANCE WITH ITS REQUEST.

GERMANY TO DECIDE ONCE FOR ALL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—The opinion grew here to-day largely because of the absence of a contrary view, that the President has determined that once and for all Germany shall decide whether it wishes to incur the enmity of the entire world by the constant commission of unneutral acts, or whether it will cease its "submarine mistakes" confessed in yesterday's circular from the German Foreign Office.

While it is agreed here that this circular was intended to mollify the American Government, the belief is general that it failed, because of the omission of assurances that men, women and children of the United States may with safety exercise their right as neutrals to traverse the seas unmolested.

Aside from considering just what

form the phraseology of the American note will take, speculation here to-day centered in the nature of the reception the document will be given by the Imperial Government.

Persons who usually reflect the views of the German Embassy sought to allay the suspicion that Germany had deliberately tried, by destroying the Lusitania, to draw the United States into the war. Although not in complete touch with their Government, the German officials apparently were desirous of giving the impression that the last thing Germany seeks is an open break with the United States.

Whether the receipt of the American note will give force to this assertion or aggravate an already strained relationship is a matter that may only be conjectured until the German reply is received.

CIRCUIT COURT

The Circuit Court of the Twenty-seventh Judicial Circuit met at the Court house in Farmington on Monday, May 10th, with all the officers present, the Hon. Peter Huck presiding. The criminal docket was disposed of except for one case, by Wednesday afternoon, and except for a few motions, etc., there will be practically nothing doing until next Monday, when the civil docket will be opened. The following are the proceedings in brief, of the criminal docket:

Monday, May 10th.

State of Missouri vs. Thos. Wigger, murder; plea of guilty entered to murder in the second degree, and punishment assessed to thirty-five years in the penitentiary.

Monday, May 10, State of Missouri vs. William Johnson, grand larceny; plea of guilty entered; penalty fixed at two years in the penitentiary.

State of Missouri vs. Charles Goldsmith, grand larceny; plea of guilty entered and punishment assessed at two years in the penitentiary.

State of Missouri vs. John Humm, grand larceny; plea of guilty entered and punishment assessed at two years in the penitentiary.

State of Missouri vs. Everett McKinney, by agreement of parties, plea of guilty entered; fine of twenty-five dollars and costs assessed. Upon payment of costs, stay of execution as to fine during good behavior.

Tuesday, May 11.

State of Missouri vs. Earl House,

murder; application for change of venue filed; change granted. C. J. Stanton selected as special judge to try the case. Cause re-set for Wednesday, the 26th.

Wednesday, May 12th.

State of Missouri vs. John Michiek, murder; Attorneys Poston and Coffey appointed to defend; Attorney Benham appointed and the appointment of Poston revoked; plea of guilty entered and punishment fixed at thirty-five years in the penitentiary.

State of Missouri vs. Frank Hall, burglary in second degree; plea of guilty entered and punishment assessed at two years in the penitentiary.

State of Missouri vs. Harry Willard, burglary in the second degree; plea of guilty entered as to burglary, and punishment fixed at two years in the penitentiary.

State of Missouri vs. Dave Barton, flourishing a deadly weapon; dismissed by the State.

State of Missouri vs. Henry Schultz, appeal from Justice of the Peace; State files motion for dismissal of appeal.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

The Pauline DuBose Circle of the Presbyterian church will give a Fete Champetre on the lawn of Mrs. J. Bridwell Smith. A play by local talent, ice cream, cake, and music will make this a refreshing and social occasion. Everybody come! Watch for the date in next week's paper and at the Monarch. (adv.)

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PROF. IRA WELKER ELECTED TEACHER AT LUTESVILLE

Prof. I. E. Welker and wife, who taught several years at Libertyville, Mo., to the entire satisfaction of all, have been elected to positions in the Lutesville High School for the ensuing year.

The Board of Education met Saturday night, May 1st, and chose a full corps of teachers for the 1915-16 term and, although Prof. Welker and wife had not filed an application, the Board elected them to positions in their school on the assumption that they would accept the honor thus conferred.

Welker has since then been elected to the Principalship of the Blodgett High School at a salary of \$90 per month by the school board at that place; so, Welker will have to vacate one or the other of these positions. Of course, if Lutesville contends for his services he will be compelled to resign his position at Blodgett.

Welker having made good as an efficient and successful teacher, accounts for the unsolicited demands for his services.

He is now in attendance upon school at the Normal in Cape Girardeau pursuing his studies and finishing his education so that his services shall be more valuable and, therefore, more sought in the future.

HOME MAKERS' CLUB

On Wednesday evening, May 12th, there will be a meeting of the Farmington Home Makers' Club. An interesting meeting is expected at which many important matters will be discussed. All members are urgently requested to attend and all others are cordially invited to be present.

If you read The Farmington Times you know the latest happenings.

BIRTHDAY PARTY AND ENTERTAINMENT

Anna Marbury, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. H. Marbury, gave a birthday party to a number of her little friends on Friday, May 7, 1915.

The little folks were entertained on the beautiful lawn with various games and also by a beautifully decorated May-pole exercise; and after devoting an hour or so to play, they repaired to the dining room and were served with refreshments.

Those invited were: Dupuy Cayce, Eugenia Morris, Louise DuBose, Stewart Johnson, James Matson, Elizabeth Gould, Elizabeth Beard, Catherine Beard, Miriam Bramblet, Dorothy Chinn, Harriet Pease, Barbara Tullock, Mary L. Williams, Corren Williams, Mildred Graves, Martha Harlan, Helen Evans, Ruth Allen, Emily Hensley, Walter L. Hensley, Jr., Emily McKinney, Gladis Richards, Mary Jane and Evelyn Washburn.

Every little lot was radiant with fun and play, and seemed to have brought heaven down very near to them and those who assisted in their entertainment.

JUSTICE IS SWIFT

Deputy Sheriffs Sam Doss and J. E. Trask of the Lead Belt caught two robbers who were charged of relieving the Miners' Supply Store, at Flat River, of forty or fifty dollars' worth of goods. They were brought over here about 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, and pleaded guilty and were sentenced to two years each in the penitentiary by 11 o'clock. This is another example of the efficiency of our officers. St. Francois County is, and has a right to be, proud of the men that are enforcing peace.

STREETS BEING OILED

This week oil is being sprinkled on our principal thoroughfares which will add materially to the comfort of the residents and those who may have occasion to use our streets for passage.

This work necessitates an expenditure on behalf of our business men and residents, but the comfort and physical benefit derived will more than

AT THE MONARCH SNAPSHOT PROGRAM

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GEORGIAN SUES TO OUST OFFICERS OF DOE RUN LEAD CO.

Federal Court is Asked to Set Election Aside and Conduct a New One.

A petition asking that the recent election of officers and directors of the Doe Run Lead Company of Bonne Terre, Mo., be set aside and a new election of officers and directors be held under the supervision of the Court, was filed Tuesday in the Federal Court by Samuel R. Maynard, a Georgia stockholder in the Missouri corporation.

The defendants are the Doe Run Lead Company and Politte Elvins, Robert Sellers, R. R. S. Parsons and F. H. Dearing, officers of the company. The petition alleges the election of officers and directors was contrary to the Missouri statutes, in that three of them are not citizens of the state of Missouri, as required by law.

The suit had its beginning, it appeared from the petition, in the merger September 10, 1913, of the Doe Run and St. Joseph Lead Companies. The terms of the merger were that the stockholders of the Doe Run Company should deliver to the St. Joseph Company 64,534 shares of Doe Run stock, of a par value of \$100, in exchange for 5000 shares of St. Joseph worth \$10 par value, and \$125,000 in cash.

The merger was effected, according to the petition, to the cost of the Doe Run stockholders. The plaintiff alleged he refused to join in the merger, and when the annual election was held May 7, 1915, he protested against the voting by the St. Joseph Company of the Doe Run stock in the Doe Run election.

Since the merger of the lead companies his dividends have dropped from 6 per cent annually to less than 1 per cent, the plaintiff alleged. He asks the Court to hold an election of officers and directors under its cognizance, and to go into the equity of the merger.—St. Louis Republic.

CHARLESTON IS DISSATISFIED WITH CAPE GIRARDEAU MEET

Charleston, Mo., May 10.—A feeling of general dissatisfaction exists in Charleston as a result of the outcome of the tenth annual high school track and field meet held at Cape Girardeau last Saturday, wherein the judges by a decision given out at 11 p. m. gave Sikeston a 34-34 tie with Charleston.

Had Charleston won the meet they would have gained permanent possession of the \$300 trophy cup offered to the team winning three successive meets. A formal protest will be filed with the Amateur Athletic Union by Superintendent Kirk of Charleston over the running broad jump, which was closed to Hubb of Charleston upon his return from competing in another event, although he was temporarily excused from the broad jump to enter the other event.—St. Louis Republic.

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